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#### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and first action by the Examiner, please amend the present application as follows:

### In the Claims:

Please amend claim 6 to read as follows:

6. (Amended) A cultured host cell harboring a vector according to claim 4.

Please add the following claims 9 and 10:

--9. (NEW) A cultured host cell harboring a vector according to claim 5. --

--10. (NEW) A process for production of a polypeptide, comprising culturing a host cell according to claim 9 under conditions whereby said polypeptide is produced, and recovering said polypeptide. --

#### REMARKS

By the present Amendment, claim 6 is amended to omit its multiple dependency. A Version With Markings Showing Changes Made is attached. Claims 9 and 10 are added and contain limitations from original claims 6 and 7, respectively. It is believed that these changes do not involve any introduction of new matter, whereby entry is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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# VERSION WITH MARKINGS SHOWING CHANGES MADE

#### In the Claims:

Claims 6 is amended as follows:

(Amended) A cultured host cell harboring a vector according to claim 4 [or 6.

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